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filed September 5, 2000  
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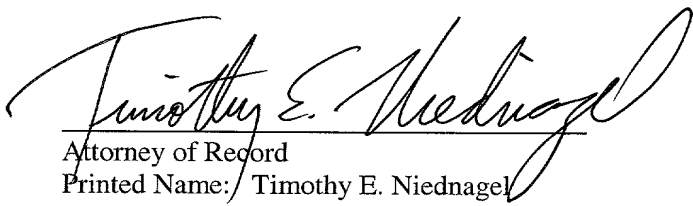
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11. ☒ The original application was assigned from the inventors to Hill-Rom Services, Inc.
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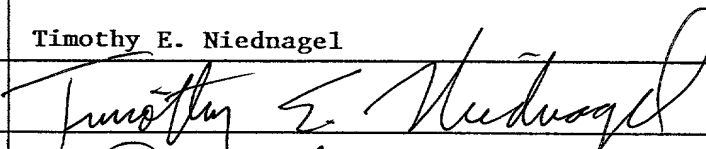
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